

wherein each thickness of said first and said second layers is determined by multiplying by an even number one fourth of quantum-wave wavelength of carriers in each of said first and said second layers and said carrier accumulation layer has a band gap narrower than that of said second layer;

C1 wherein a kinetic energy of said carriers which determines said quantum-wave wavelength is set at a level near the bottom of a conduction band and a valence band of said second layer, according to the case that said carriers are electrons and holes, respectively; and

wherein a quantum-wave wavelength  $\lambda_W$  in said first layer is determined by a formula  $\lambda_W = h/[2m_W(E+V)]^{1/2}$ , a quantum-wave wavelength  $\lambda_B$  in said second layer is determined by a formula  $\lambda_B = h/(2m_B E)^{1/2}$ , said thickness of said first layer  $D_W$  is determined by a formula  $D_W = n_W \lambda_W / 4$ , and said thickness of said second layer  $D_B$  is determined by a formula  $D_B = n_B \lambda_B / 4$ , where  $h$ ,  $m_W$ ,  $m_B$ ,  $E$ ,  $V$ , and  $n_W$  and  $n_B$  represent Plank's constant, an effective mass of said carrier in said first layer, an effective mass of said carrier in said second layer, a kinetic energy of carriers flowing into said second layer, a potential energy of said second layer to said first layer, and even numbers, respectively. --

Please add new Claim 32 as follows:

C2 --32. (New) A light-receiving device according to Claim 1, wherein  $E \leq V/9$ .--